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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 20 September 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 18-37 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 18-37 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. This office action is in response to the amendment filed on September 20, 2005, in which claims 18-37 are presented for examination.

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

2. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on September 20, 2005 has been entered.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

4. Claims 18-37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Wright et al., (hereinafter "Wright") US patent no. 6,004,276.

As to claim 18, Wright system is directed to object oriented information system for use in a hospital, in particular for use by the cardiology department of a hospital (col.1, lines 7-9). In particular, Wright discloses the claimed "a network computer" (col.3, lines 35-41; col.10, lines 13-22); "a system management database" a computer-based cardiology data management system

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(col.10, lines 13-14); ‘a data collection module in communication with the database and being configured to collect and store patient test data, patient information, and healthcare provider information, wherein the data collection module comprises data entry form for recording patient cardiological test data” the medical record of a patient, test data and cardiology patients information that must be managed and archived (col.3, lines 1-9); and “a report generation module in communication with the database for producing reports from one or more selected items of patient test data” by printing a report based on the patient information (test) (col.21, lines 5-10; and col.22, lines 4-17; col.48, lines 21-42); “a data viewing and editing module communication with the database and being configured to limit access to modify the patient test data to preauthorized healthcare worker persons; a patient information access module in communication with the database and being configured to limit access to view tests performed on the patient to the preauthorized healthcare worker persons; and a physician viewing module in communication with the database operable to allow preauthorized physicians to view patient test data” user is able to view and edit list of patient records contained on the database depending on the user’s privilege level (col.21, lines 20-58).

As to claim 19, Wright discloses the claimed “wherein the data collection module includes means requiring entry of the name and a preauthorized password of a healthcare worker person to gain access to the data collection module” entry of the physician’s login name and password (col.21, lines 40-51).

As to claim 20, Wright discloses the claimed “wherein the data collection module includes means for selecting a test data entry form for which data is to be collected” (col.65, lines 60-65).

As to claim 21, Wright discloses the claimed “wherein the data collection module includes means for recording account identification information of a patient whose data is to be collected and stored in the data collection module” (col.23, lines 58-66).

As to claim 22, Wright discloses the claimed “wherein the data collection module includes means for recording the name of a physician and the name of person entering data in the data collection module” (col.24, lines 28-38; col.25, lines 45-60).

As to claim 23, Wright discloses the claimed “wherein the data viewing and editing module includes means requiring entry the name of the healthcare worker person and an identifier healthcare worker person gain access patient test data” (col.24, lines 8-20).

As to claim 24, Wright discloses the claimed “wherein the data viewing and editing module includes means permitting authorized healthcare worker persons to select test data entry form to be viewed or edited” (col.21, lines 20-52).

As to claim 25, Wright discloses the claimed “wherein the data viewing and editing module includes means providing for entering the name of the patient for whom the preauthorized healthcare worker person desires to view a test data entry form” (col.21, lines 20-52)).

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As to claim 26, Wright discloses the claimed “wherein the physician viewing module includes means requiring entry the name and an identifier of preauthorized physician desiring to read selected patient test data” (col.21, lines 38-44; col.22, lines 18-32).

As to claim 27, Wright discloses the claimed “wherein the physician viewing module includes means requiring entry of the name of the patient for whom patient test data is to be read and means for selecting particular test data”(col.21, lines 46-55).

As to claim 28, Wright discloses the claimed “wherein the patient information access module includes means for providing information the healthcare worker person using the system tests that have been performed on a patient whose name has been entered the system by way of the patient information access module”(col. 79, lines 14-21).

As to claim 29, Wright discloses the claimed “wherein the report generation module includes means providing for preauthorized healthcare worker persons to select a date and location of specific tests that have been performed on a patient for printing by way of the report generation module” (col.66, lines 25-49).

As to claim 30, discloses the claimed “wherein the report generation module includes means for selecting only tests which have not been previously read by a person having access to the system” (col.66, lines 56-67).

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As to claim 31, Wright discloses the claimed “wherein the report generation module includes means providing printing of reports of plural tests performed on a patient whose name has been entered in the system” (col.65, lines 56-65; col.70, lines 53-65).

As to claims 32-37:

Claims 32-37 are method of claims for performing the system of claims 18-31 above. They are, therefore, rejected under the same rationale.

Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jean M. Corrielus whose telephone number is (571) 272-4032. The examiner can normally be reached on 10 hours shift.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner’s supervisor, John Breene can be reached on (571) 272-4107. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jean M Corrielus', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Jean M Corrielus
Primary Examiner
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December 9, 2005